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News Release

Man Arrested for Burglary

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The Harrisonburg Police Department has made an arrest from a recent burglary.

On Tuesday, March 9, at 2:25 a.m., patrol officers made contact with Michael Tarpeh in the 1900 block of Sunchase Drive. Officers began speaking with Tarpeh as he was exiting a vehicle, with several televisions sticking out of the trunk.

Bottles of liquor, televisions, a digital camera, a purse, gloves, hats, and other clothing were found inside the vehicle. Tarpeh was borrowing the vehicle and none of the items belonged to the owner of the vehicle.

After further investigation of the incident, it was determined some of these items were taken from two residences in the 2400 block of Bayberry Lane.

On Monday, March 15, Michael Tarpeh, 20, of Harrisonburg, was arrested and charged with two counts of burglary, eight counts of receiving stolen property, three counts of grand larceny, five counts of petty larceny, and escape without force.

This incident, along with other burglaries, is still under investigation. The investigation will look into the possibility of Tarpeh's involvement in any other burglaries that have taken place.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Solvers at 574-5050. This is an anonymous tip line and callers could receive up to a \$1,000 reward.